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English Explorer Finds Old World Trading Route Is Guarded by Forts.

LONDON, Nov. 19.—Dispatches which have been received from Dr. M. A. Stein make it abundantly evident that that distinguished explorer is accumulating data of the greatest geographical and archaeological interest on the expedition through Central Asia, on which he has now been engaged for nearly a year and a half past.

Previous advices brought the story of Dr. Stein's journey along the southern borders of the great Turkestan desert down to February last, at which time he was able to report the results of an interesting series of investigations among the sand-buried ruins in the desert north and south of Lop Nor. Towards the end of February he resumed his journey eastward, passing along the same route that Marco Polo had followed between six and seven centuries earlier.

This Old World trading route, Dr. Stein announces, is again coming into favor with traders from Khotan and Kashgar, and it is noteworthy, not only that the revival in its importance coincides with a marked increase in the prosperity of the oases to the south of the desert, but that British piece goods form no inconsiderable proportion of the merchandise which is being imported by this route into Western China.

Geographically, Dr. Stein found that the country traversed offered an intensely interesting field for study. His own observations have been supplemented by surveys of Rai Ram Singh, the native surveyor attached to the expedition by the Indian survey department, and, among other results, it has been discovered that the Khara-Nor—a large lake already known to receive two considerable rivers from the south and east—discharges its waters westward during the spring and early summer by a river which, after draining some smaller lakes and marshes, penetrates the desert for a distance of nearly sixty miles.

But the main object of the expedition is archaeological research, and Dr. Stein was delighted when, at a point where he had still to look forward to five long marches to the basis of Sha-chou, he came on the first of a series of ruined watch towers, forming a chain of frontier posts connected by an ancient wall.

After recuperating at Sha-chou, the expedition traced this line of frontier defence works for a distance of 140 miles, and Dr. Stein is convinced, as the result of his examination of the Chinese records found among the ruins, an examination in which he was aided by a scholarly Chinese assistant, that the works in question date back as far as the end of the second century B. C. Garrisons must have occupied the stations for something like 250 years, and documents relating to the first quarter of the second century A. D. were found to be especially numerous.

Altogether something like 2,000 Chinese documents were unearthed, mostly relating to military matters, but also comprising a number of private letters, whose personal details gave a vivid human interest to these records of a distant past. In addition, Dr. Stein discovered abundant evidences of the traffic that even then passed overland between India, and possibly even Persia, on the west, and the Chinese empire on the east by way of this remote corner of Central Asia.

The excellent state of preservation in which all the remains were found affords conclusive proof of the scanty rainfall in the region traversed by the line of frontier posts, not only at the present day, but for the past 2,000 years. Sometimes the records were buried under the thinnest covering of soil, yet even the most perishable articles had preserved a perfectly fresh appearance.

But if there is little rainfall, winds from the east and northeast blow over the country with remarkable violence and persistence, and are rendered all the more trying by the extremes of temperatures experienced. So late as the beginning of April the thermometer registered, at the coldest part of the day, 40 degrees of frost, Fahrenheit, while before the end of the month the travelers were suffering from the heat and glare of the sun, with the added torment, when the wind dropped, of swarms of mosquitoes.

Not until well into May was work completed along the line of frontier posts, and subsequently Dr. Stein was kept busily occupied for some weeks among ancient sites to the south of the Sha-chou oasis. A particularly fine series of frescoes and stucco sculptures, dating back a thousand years and illustrating the hold which Buddhism and Buddhist art had been obtained on the country, was discovered in the remarkable cave temples known as the Halls of the Thousand Buddhas.

In short, so extensive have been the collections formed by Dr. Stein, that they will, he declares, provide several specialists with material for examination for a long time to come.

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From an ironmaker's point of view the greatest achievement during the Revolutionary period was the making of the great West Point chain. This massive chain, which has probably never had an equal since the first hammer struck upon the first anvil, was stretched across the Hudson river at West Point to prevent the British fleet from making a second attack upon Kingston and Albany. It was nearly a mile in length and weighed almost 200 tons, many links being as heavy as an ordinary-sized man. To complete it in six weeks sixty men hammered day and night at seventeen forges and the cost of it was placed at \$400,000.

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"Ever try an automobile, judge?" said a friend. "No," replied the judge; "but I've tried a lot of people who have."—Jewish Ledger.